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In re Application of

Lars Olson et al

Application No. 10/619,545

Filed: July 16, 2003

Attorney Docket No. 1522-1001-1

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under the unintentional provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed February 13, 2009, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the final rejection mailed November 16, 2006.

The above-identified application has been abandoned for an extended period of time. The Patent and Trademark Office is relying on petitioner's duty of candor and good faith and accepting the statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. See Changes to Patent Practice and Procedure, 62 Fed. Reg. at 53160 and 53178; 1203 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office at 88 and 103 (responses to comments 64 and 109) (applicant obligated under 37 CFR 10.18 to inquire into the underlying facts and circumstances when providing the statement required by 37 CFR 1.137(b) to the Patent and Trademark Office).

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of continuing Application No. 11/798,683, filed May 16, 2007; (2) the petition fee of \$1,620.00; and (3) a proper statement of unintentional delay.

This application is being revived solely for purposes of continuity. As continuity has been established by this decision, the application is again abandoned in favor of continuing application No. 11/798,683.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3208.

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